Sri M. LINGANNA.—Is it not a fact that the Government Order tells that in place of Chandrasekhara Naidu one Sri Govindappa be appointed ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—If he is proved guilty, probably his case will be considered.

Sri M. LINGANNA.—Have the Government looked into the files pending before them and satisfied themselves whether there has been any guilt ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—The Government have carefully examined.

Sri M. LINGANNA.—Is it not after being satisfied about the guilt of a person that an official will be kept under suspension ? Is it not a fact that charges have even been framed ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—The mere framing of charges does not mean that one is guilty.

Sri M. LINGANNA.—May I know why the Government have left out the other two people who were appointed on the same day when they have upgraded others as Senior Traffic Supervisors ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—The Department needed only four and these four have been appointed according to seniority. If there is need for more, we will examine the position.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Hon'ble Member is entering into too many details which may not be pertinent and relevant.

Sri M. LINGANNA.—I submit to the ruling of the Chair, Sir. But I will never put one question which is outside the scope of the main question.

Is it not a fact that out of these six people, the two that have been left over have put in most efficient service and their records are clean and good ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—As I have said, there was need only for four appointments and those four cases were considered on two grounds—seniority and good work. You may be pleased to see that except one whose case has not been considered, the rest are all according to seniority.

Sri M. LINGANNA.—Is it not a fact that the General Manager recommended to Government that they should upgrade all on the same date and on the same scale of pay ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—We had discussion with all the officers and this recommendation was accepted.

Sri K. PATTABHIRAMAN.—Is it a case of up-grading or promotion ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Sir, I will place the actual Government Order on the Table of the House ; it is dated 20th September 1954.

Sri M. LINGANNA.—You were pleased to say that only one was left out when this upgrading was done on the basis of merit and seniority. May I know whether there is anything against that man who was left out ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—There is nothing.

Sri M. LINGANNA.—Then, Sir, does it not amount to discrimination ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—As I have already said, Government never had any discrimination in view. It was then decided that there was need to have four Senior Traffic Supervisors' posts. Those that were suitable according to seniority were taken. If there was any case of discrimination or a case for consideration in the case of any other officer, I will certainly look into it.

Bellara Gold Mines.

Q.—365. Sri SYDNEY A. THOMAS (Nominated).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Report on the Bellara Gold Mines by the Mining Engineer of Messrs. John Taylor & Sons will kindly be placed on the Table of the House ;

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(*b*) the names of officials and other supervisory staff (including Foreman and Assistant Foreman) employed in these mines, together with their qualifications and experience to conduct metalliferous mining operations and gold extraction, and their present salaries ;

(*c*) the programme, if any, for future development and also for the search of new ore bodies ;

(*d*) the following particulars for each of the last ten years—

(i) tonnage of ore hoisted (not to include waste rock) ;

(ii) tonnage crushed or milled, and grade in cwts ;

(iii) fine gold produced and net value realised ;

(iv) cost per ton ;

(v) labour costs ;

(vi) labour strength ?

A.—SRI H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Minister for Home and Industries). —

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Statement appended below.

(*c*) Nil, since the Bellara Gold Mines have been closed.

(*d*) Statement appended below.

Statement showing the Names, Qualifications, Experience and Salaries of the Officials and other Supervisory Staff employed in Bellara Gold Mines.

Sl. No.	Name	Designation	Pay Rs.	Qualification	Experience
	Sriyuts—				
1	K. Gavisetty ...	Superintendent	310/250-20-450 *plus* L.A. 75 p.m.	M.Sc. Degree in Geology of Mysore University with Crystallography and Mineralogy as special subjects.	Trained in metalliferous mining operations, both underground and open cut, surveying and extraction of gold at Bellara Gold Mines and Bageshpura for six months in 1945. Experienced as Asst. Superintendent of Bellara Gold Mines from 8-12-1949 to 18-12-1951. Working as Superintendent of Bellara Gold Mines from 20-6-1952. Deputed to Kolar Gold Fields to study the Metallurgy of Gold for about a fortnight during January 1953.
2	G. Shivashankar	Asst. Superintendent.	175/125-10-175 *plus* L.A. 50 p.m.	B.Sc. (Hons.) Degree in Geology of Mysore University.	Trained in metalliferous mining, surveying and extraction of gold for six months at Bellara Gold Mines. Working as Asst. Superintendent of Bellara Gold Mines from 26-12-1951 to 15-8-1954.
3	Mohamed Khan	Underground Shift Officer.	100/100-10-150 *plus* 20 p.m. Survey allowance.	Diploma in Mining of Sri Jayachamarajendra Occupational Institute, Bangalore.	Trained in Kolar Gold Fields for four months in underground mining and surveying and in Kemmangundi and Bhadigund Mines in open cut mining for two months.
4	S. J. Wesley ...	Chemist ...	155/125-10-175 *plus* L.A. 50 p.m.	B.Sc. Degree in Chemistry of Mysore University.	Experienced as Asst. Chemist at Mysore Mines, Kolar Gold Fields and as Asst. Chemist at Mysore Geological Department.

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Sl. No.	Name	Designation	Pay	Qualification	Experience
	Sriyuts.—		Rs.		
5	M. Chandrasekharappa.	Mechanic	Rs.130/100-10-150	First Class (First Rank) Diploma in Mechanical Engineering, School of Engineering, Bangalore.	Training for one year in Electrical Engineering at Bangalore.
6	Y. Arkeswara. ...	Asst. Mechanic	Daily rated Rs. 3-8-0 per day *plus* usual Dearness allowance.	Certificate in Mechanical Engineering of School of Engineering, Bangalore.	Experienced as I Grade Mechanic in Hindustan Aircraft from 22nd February 1943 to 18th December 1945.
7	G. Issac ...	Fitter Foreman	Daily rated Rs. 4 per day *plus* usual D. A.	L. S. Course.	Experienced as I Grade Artisan in Mysore Railways for 14 years and as Fitter Foreman for 9 years at Bellara Gold Mines.
8	Y. Mohamed Yusoof.	Electric Operator	Rs.100/100-10-150	Diploma in Electrical Engineering of School of Engineering, Bangalore.	Experienced as an Electric Operator at Mysore Electrical Department for nearly 8 years.
9	M. N. Srikanta Sastry.	Shift Officer in Mills.	Daily rated Rs. 2-8-0 per day *plus* usual D. A.	B.Sc. Degree in C. B. G. of Mysore University and holds a Blaster and Maistry Certificate from Chief Inspector of Mines.	Five months practical training in mining and surveying in Mysore Geological Department.
10	H. Puttaswamy...	Do ...	Do ...	B.Sc. (Hons.) Degree in Geology of Mysore University.	Four months practical training in Mysore Geological Department.
11	H. R. Krishna Rao.	Do ...	Do ...	B.Sc. Degree in C. B. G. of Mysore University.	Four months practical training in Mysore Geological Department.
12	T. P. Meenakshi Sundaram.	Do ...	Do ...	Senior Inter, Diploma in Mining (S. J. O. C.)	Practical training in K.G.F. and Kemmannagundi Mines.

Statement showing the particulars of production of Ore, Gold, Mining and Labour Costs at Bellara Gold Mines.

..	1944-45	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
1. Tonnage of ore hoisted or produced.	...	1,500	1,470	1,167	441	1,382	2,814	5,063	3,053	6,278
2. (*a*) Tons crushed or milled in stamp mill.	Dumps washed by Jalagars	Dumps washed by Jalagar	Dumps washed by Jalagar	539 milled about 316 washed	1,299	1,830	3,486	3,826	3,380 (*a*) 1,991	7,288 7,183
(*b*) Recovery in Dwts. per ton in stamp mill.	...	...	...	...	3.79	3.52	2.32	1.19	1.95 (*b*) 0.81	0.70 0.45
3. (*a*) Sponge gold produced in tolas.	23-0-0	959-13-0	286	120	617	856	1,035	402	1,032	1,060
(*b*) Fine gold sold in tolas.	...	691	330	82	480	840	820	451	860	893
(*c*) Value realised in rupees.	...	71,166	31,388	8,498	54,645	95,507	91,897	49,468	75,596	75,242
4. Cost per ton in rupees ...	...	(*c*) 81	73	103	348	84	60	34	96	62
5. Labour costs (*d*) ..	22,172	37,340	35,329	37,952	32,788	33,533	46,904	38,268	53,308	72,915
6. Labour strength : Average daily labour :										
(*a*) Below ground	Figures not available	48	51	47	55	36	40	55	59	65
(*b*) Surface		78	98	98	194	160	126	152	147	142

(*a*) Stamp mill tailings treated in tube mill.

(*b*) Recovery per ton in tube mill.

(*c*) Cost obtained by dividing revenue expenditure by number of tons produced during the year.

(*d*) Wages paid during the year.

Sri SYDNEY A. THOMAS.—Was there any expert advice which induced Government to embark on this costly venture ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Yes.

Sri SYDNEY A. THOMAS.—Who tendered the advice ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—The history of it runs back to decades. As early as 1897 this question of digging gold in Bellara area had been taken up. In April 1953 one expert called H. M. White of Champion Reef Gold Mines gave this advice and Government took up this scheme.

Sri SYDNEY A. THOMAS.—What was the total loss sustained by Government by this venture ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—In all the total loss will be somewhere to the tune of twelve lakhs or so.

Sri SYDNEY A. THOMAS.—What did the report cost to Government ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—A few thousands.

Sri SYDNEY A. THOMAS.—Was it in the light of this report that Government decided to close this Mine, Sir ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Yes, Sir.

Sri K. S. VASAN.—Does it mean that the Government was incompetent to run Gold Mines ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Absolutely not. It only meant there was no sufficient ore to work on economic value.

Sri B. V. NARAYANA REDDY.—Did John Taylor & Sons want to run the Mine, Sir ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—No.

Sri B. V. NARAYANA REDDY.—Government also did not want it !

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—We have already closed it.

'Sapperoga' incidence on Silkworms

Q.—446. Sri G. PAPANNA (Sidlaghatta-Chikballapur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) since how long 'Sapperoga' which occurs to silkworms during rainy seasons is prevailing ;

(*b*) whether the loss on this account is estimated ;

(*c*) whether any steps have been taken to check this disease ?

A.—Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Minister for Home and Industries).—

(*a*) Since a long time.

(*b*) No definite survey has been made.

(*c*) Yes.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ಪಾಪಣ್ಣ.—(a) ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗೆ ಉತ್ತರವಾಗಿ "Since a long time," ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದೆ. ಖಚಿತವಾಗಿ ಯಾವ ಕಾಲದಿಂದ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಾಧ್ಯವಿಲ್ಲವೆ ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Since a long time. According to the report I have received, ever since the sericulture industry started in Mysore, this disease is to be found.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ಪಾಪಣ್ಣ.—(b) ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗೆ ಉತ್ತರವಾಗಿ "No definite survey has been made." ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಲು ಕಾರಣವೇನು ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿದ್ದವೀರಪ್ಪ.—ಇದುವರೆಗೆ ಇದು common disease ಆಗಿದೆಯೆಂದು ವರದಿ ಬಂದಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ಮಾಡಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಈಗ ನಿರ್ದಿಷ್ಟವಾದ ಸರ್ವೆ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಆರ್ಡರು ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ಪಾಪಣ್ಣ.—ಇದರಿಂದ ಬಹಳ ರೈತರಿಗೆ ತೊಂದರೆಯಾಗುತ್ತಿರುವಾಗ, ಪ್ರತಿವರ್ಷ ಈ ರೋಗ ಹೆಚ್ಚುತ್ತಿರುವಾಗ ಯಾವ ಕಾರಣದಿಂದ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ಕಂಡುಹಿಡಿಯ ಬೇಡವೇ ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—As a matter of fact, Sir, not only in Mysore but in all areas of the world where there is this sericulture, this disease is common. ಯಾವಾವ ಕಾಲದಲ್ಲಿ ಬರುತ್ತದೆಂದು ಗೊತ್ತಾಗಿದೆ. ಅದರ ಮೇಲೆ ನಮ್ಮ ದೇಶದಲ್ಲೂ ಅದಕ್ಕನುಸಾರವಾಗಿ ನೋಡಿ ಈ ರೋಗವನ್ನು ತಡೆಗಟ್ಟಬೇಕು.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ಪಾಪಣ್ಣ.—ನನ್ನ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಅದಲ್ಲ. ಸರ್ವೆ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಆಗುತ್ತಿರಲಿಲ್ಲವೆ ? ಇದಕ್ಕಿಂತ ಮುಖ್ಯವಾದ ಕೆಲಸ ಈ ಇಲಾಖೆಗೆ ಏನಿದೆ ! ಹೀಗೆ ಸರ್ವೆ ಮಾಡದೆ ರಮಿಡಿ ಮಾಡುವುದು ಹೇಗೆ ? ರೈತರಿಗೆ ತೊಂದರೆ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ಹೇಗೆ ಚೆಕ್ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರಿ ? ರಿಕಾರ್ಡಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಚೆಕ್ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Sir, it has been ascertained that since this disease is there from a very long period ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾರಣವೇನು, ಹೇಗೆ ಬರುತ್ತದೆ, ಇದನ್ನು ತಡೆಗಟ್ಟಲು ಏನೇನು ಕ್ರಮಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು ಎಂದು ಇಲಾಖೆಯವರು ಪದೇ ಪದೇ ಈ ಕೆಲಸದಲ್ಲಿ ನಿರತರಾಗಿರುವವರಿಗೆ ತಿಳಿವಳಿಕೆ ಕೊಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಈ ವಿಚಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಸರ್ವೆಮಾಡಲು ಬೇರೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ಕೈಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇವೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ಪಾಪಣ್ಣ.—ಏನು ಪ್ರಿಕಾಷನ್ಸ್ ತೆಗೆದು ಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದೀರಿ ?